

JUDGE RICHARD A. JONES

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) No. CR24-011-RAJ
Plaintiff,)
v.) ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED
CHRISTIANA AUSTIN,) MOTION TO CONTINUE TRIAL AND
Defendant.) PRETRIAL MOTIONS DEADLINE
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THE COURT has considered the unopposed motion of the defense to continue the trial date and pretrial motions deadline and finds that:

(a) taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a failure to grant a continuance in this case would deny counsel for the defendant the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation due to counsel's need for more time to review the evidence, consider possible defenses, and gather evidence material to the defense, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv); and

(b) a failure to grant such a continuance in this proceeding would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(i); and

(c) the additional time requested is a reasonable period of delay, as the defendant has requested more time to prepare for trial, to investigate the matter, to gather evidence material to the defense, and to consider possible defenses; and

1 (d) the ends of justice will best be served by a continuance, and the ends of
2 justice outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in any speedier trial,
3 as set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A); and

4 (e) the additional time requested between the current trial date of March 25,
5 2024 and the new trial date is necessary to provide counsel for the defendant the
6 reasonable time necessary to prepare for trial, considering counsel's schedule and all of
7 the facts set forth above; and

8 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the motion (Dkt. 30) is GRANTED. The
9 trial date in this matter is continued to October 21, 2024. All pretrial motions,
10 including motions in limine, shall be filed no later than September 5, 2024.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the period of delay from the date of this order
12 to the new trial date of October 21, 2024, is excludable time pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§
13 3161(h)(7)(A) and (h)(7)(B)(iv).

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15 DATED this 16th day of February, 2024.

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The Honorable Richard A. Jones
United States District Judge